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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

Plaintiff,
vs.

GEICO ADVANTAGE INSURANCE
COMPANY, a foreign corporation; DOES
I through X, inclusive and ROE
BUSINESS ENTITIES I through X,
inclusive.

STEVEN LYNN TURNER, an individual,

CASE NO.: 2:21 -cv-00592-JCM-DJA

STIPULATION AND ORDER TO
EXTEND DISCOVERY & REQUEST FOR
SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

(Second Request)

Defendant.

Defendant GEICO ADVANTAGE INSURANCE COMPANY, by and through its attorneys, Thomas E. Winner & Matthew J. Douglas of the law firm WINNER BOOZE & ZARCONE, and Plaintiff STEVEN LYNN TURNER, by and through his attorneys, Carl R. Houston, of the LADAH LAW OFFICE, hereby submit the following Stipulation and (Proposed) Order to Extend Discovery pursuant to LR 26-4 LR IA 6-1 and to request a settlement conference with the Magistrate Judge pursuant to LR 16-5.

This is the second stipulation for an extension of discovery deadlines.

### A. Discovery Completed

Plaintiff has served his initial disclosure of witnesses and documents and supplemented it twice.

Defendant has served its initial disclosure of witnesses and documents. It has been supplemented four times.

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Plaintiff has disclosed treating (non-retained) medical expert witnesses and expert medical witness. Defendant has disclosed retained medical expert witness and a retained biomechanical/accident reconstruction expert.

Defendant has served one set of Interrogatories and one set of Requests for the Production of Documents to Plaintiff, which have been answered.

Plaintiff has served one set of Interrogatories, one set of Requests for the Production of Documents to Defendant, which have been answered.

Defendant has collected numerous medical records for Plaintiff and subpoenaed other records

Plaintiff TURNER has been deposed.

Defendant has deposed Plaintiff's treating provider, Dr. Stuart Kaplan.

#### **B.** Discovery that Remains to Be Completed

Defendant seeks the depositions of Plaintiff's treating provider/experts Dr. Kevin Sharif. Plaintiff seeks depose the Defendant's experts and Rule 30(b)(6) corporate designee.

# C. The Reasons Why Discovery Was Not Completed In the Time Limits Set by the Discovery Plan

Defendant has had difficulty getting dates for Dr. Kevin Sharif depositions due to the doctor's schedule1. Additionally, Plaintiff's seek to depose defense experts and defendant's corporate designee. However, due to the physicians' schedules, the trial calendar for Plaintiff's counsel, and upcoming holidays, the parties realized that they will be unable to complete these depositions within the current discovery time frame, which ends January 7, 2022.

Moreover, recently the parties have engaged in fruitful settlement discussions and believe a settlement conference with the Magistrate Judge would be beneficial. The parties desire to attempt settlement before expending more costs for provider and expert depositions.

As such, the parties request a 90 day extension of the current discovery closure deadline and request a settlement conference with the Magistrate Judge pursuant to LR 16-5.

## **Proposed Schedule for Completing Discovery**

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The parties propose to complete discovery on the following deadlines: 1 2 Discovery Cut-Off: Friday, April 7, 2022 3 Deadline to Amend Pleadings or Add Parties: Closed 4 Deadline to Disclose Initial Experts: Closed 5 Deadline to Disclose Rebuttal Experts: Closed Deadline to File Dispositive Motions: 6 Monday, May 9, 2022 7 Deadline to Joint Pre-Trial Oder Thursday June 9, 2022 8 Dated: December 27, 2021 WINNER BOOZE & ZARCONE 9 10 /s/ Matthew J. Douglas Matthew J. Douglas, Esq. 11 Nevada Bar No. 11371 1117 South Rancho Drive 12 Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 Attorneys for Defendant GEICO 13 14 Dated: December 27, 2021 LADAH LAW OFFICE 15 /s/ Carl R. Houston 16 Carl R. Houston, Esq. Nevada Bar No. 11161 17 517 S. Third St. Las Vegas, NV 89101 18 Attorneys for Plaintiff 19 20 21 **ORDER** 22 Having reviewed the parties' Stipulation to Extend Discovery (ECF No. 15) and Stipulation for Settlement Conference (ECF No. 19), the Court finds good cause to 23 GRANT the stipulations. The Court will enter a separate order scheduling the settlement conference. IT IS SO ORDERED. 24 25 DATED this 6th day of January, 2022. 26 U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE 27